

Governor Bentley Announces Additional Alabama Personnel Deployed for Hurricane Matthew Response

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MONTGOMERY – Governor Robert Bentley on Tuesday announced Alabama is sending additional state and county personnel to multiple states to assist with Hurricane Matthew response efforts.

“As part of our Emergency Management Assistance Compact with surrounding states we are sending additional personnel to assist with the ongoing recovery efforts following Hurricane Matthew,” Governor Bentley said. “We are glad to help in any way we can. During the April 2011 storms Alabama received assistance from several states and now we are honored to return the favor. When disaster strikes the help of others is invaluable in the response and recovery phase.”

On Monday, five state EMA personnel and four county EMA personnel deployed to South Carolina to assist with coordinating recovery efforts to include debris removal, managing damage assessment teams, planning, organizing and tracking state-county EMAC requests, as well as preliminary damage assessments and joint damage assessments.

AEMA is also deploying staff to Georgia to assist in the Joint Information Center. The AEMA team of six deployed to Florida last week have completed their mission. All personnel deployed this week are scheduled to return in two to three weeks.

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